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Traiskirchen.

1. Twenty-two officers and 30 EM were observed entering and leaving the Bundeserziehungsanstalt (federal boarding school) in Traiskirchen (O 49/X 37) during a two-hour period on 24 March 1951. Eighteen officers, including a lieutenant colonel, two majors and four captains, wore red-bordered black epaulets, while four officers, including a captain, wore black-bordered black epaulets. Twenty-four of the EM wore red-bordered black epaulets, while the other six wore black-bordered black epaulets. Trucks [redacted] jeep [redacted] and passenger car [redacted] were observed at the Bundeserziehungsanstalt. All vehicles were driven by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Jeep [redacted] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets, was seen at a house opposite the federal boarding school, where mostly officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed.

2. One senior lieutenant and 21 EM, all wearing black-bordered black epaulets, marched out of Tribuswinkel (O 49/X 36) castle toward Baden (O 49/X 37) on 24 March.

Bad Fischau.

3. Fifteen soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets were engaged in rifle drill at the barracks installation in Bad Fischau (O 43/X 34) on 20 March. About 20 trucks were parked in the billeting area. [redacted]

About 40 soldiers practiced attacking, and 50 other soldiers practiced close-order drill at the drill field near Bad Fischau. All troops were armed with rifles.

4. Four guarded tank cars were still standing at the fuel installation near the railroad station. Sentries wore black-bordered red epaulets.

Wiener Neustadt.

5. On 19 March, the Artillerie Kaserne on Fischauerstrasse, Wiener Neustadt (O 48/X 34), quartered soldiers, most of whom wore black-bordered red epaulets and some wore red-bordered black epaulets. Seventeen trucks and two van-like trucks were seen in the barracks yard. [redacted]

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Comment. The report indicates no change in the occupation of the individual installations since the last report of mid-February 1951

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